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**PUBLIC INVITED TO COMMENT AT MEETING ON THE STATE'S
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR CHESTNUT HILL RESERVATION**

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is pleased to announce the first of a series of public meetings on the Chestnut Hill Reservation Resource Management Plan (RMP), to be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2005, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Circle Cinema, 399 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brookline, Mass. Site plans, historic photos and other materials will be on display from 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. DCR staff and the project consultant will present an overview of the RMP and solicit input from participants at the meeting.

The RMP for Chestnut Hill Reservation is intended to balance the needs of recreational users, natural resource protection, and historic landscape preservation. It will provide an assessment of existing conditions and lay out a framework for future management and capital improvement. DCR will also identify, design and implement priority action projects as part of the RMP planning process.

DCR will accept public comment on the Chestnut Hill Reservation RMP throughout the planning process. Public notices, meeting information, and draft products (with deadlines and submission instructions noted) will be posted on DCR's Resource Management Plan Program website at <http://www.mass.gov/dcr/stewardship/rmp/rmp-chHill.htm>. The public participation process will be supplemented by a Working Group comprised of representatives from various residential and civic organizations, and local and state governments.

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